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SUBJECT: VOLUNTARY AGENCY PERSONNEL EVACUATED FROM PHNOM PENH
TO THAILAND

REF: A) STATE 84164; B) BANGKOK 6304

1. DURING MEETING OF APRIL 13 WITH FOREIGN MINISTER CHATCHAI, IN ACCORDANCE WITH REFTTEL A THE CHARGE REQUESTED THAT SELECT VOLAG PERSONNEL EVACUATED FROM CAMBODIA BE ALLOWED TO REMAIN IN THAILAND TO ASSIST IN ONWARD MOVEMENT OF REFUGEES. THE FOREIGN MINISTER'S REACTION APPEARED FAVORABLE.

2. WE HAVE NOW DISCUSSED WITH THE HEADS OF CARE, CATHOLIC RELIEF SERVICES (CRS), WORLD VISION RELIEF ORGANIZATION (WVRO), AND LUTHERAN WORLD RELIEF THEIR POSSIBLE ROLES IN THE PROCESSING AND RESETTLEMENT OF CAMBODIAN REFUGEES, AND IT APPEARS THAT THEY ARE NOT PREPARED TO PERFORM THIS KIND OF SERVICE. WVRO AND CARE STATE THAT THEIR ORGANIZATIONS DO NOT NORMALLY ENGAGE IN THIS TYPE OF ACTIVITY, WITH THE EXCEPTION OF ORPHANS FOR WVRO, CRS AND LUTHERAN WORLD RELIEF SAY THEY DO NOT HAVE THE PEOPLE EXPERIENCED IN THIS TYPE OF WORK AMONG THOSE EVACUATED FROM PHNOM PENH. ALL ORGANIZATIONS ARE IN TOUCH WITH THEIR HEADQUARTERS.
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